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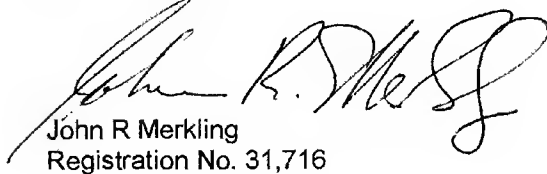
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RE: Implantable Medical Device with Multiple Electrode Lead and Connector with
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Sir:

To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the inventors are
entitled to claim small entity status for purposes of payment of fees. There is no
agreement to assign the invention to any entity which is not also a small entity.

Very truly yours,



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